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## Mr. Eberts' Evidence

Attorney-General on the Witness Stand Yesterday all Day.

Examination Was Not Completed When the Committee Adjourned.

Conflict of Authorities on Legality of Original C. P. R. Contract.

Before proceeding with the examination of Mr. Eberts yesterday morning, Mr. Balfour made a brief statement fully absolving Mr. Eberts from any suggestion of association with the order-in-council or ministerial recommendations at the time of their production. The explanation had been quite satisfactory to counsel.

Mr. Bass, called, explained to the committee that the copies were made by him about the time the discussion arose in the house.

"Before this committee was appointed," said Hon. Mr. Eberts, "but after the discussion had originated in the House."

This matter was then dropped—or rather took a new phase. Mr. McPhillips found fault with the Colonist for having published in connection with this subject, Mr. Eberts' explanation as "satisfactory" for all concerned, whereas in effect the committee had not yet had the explanation before it.

The objection was held by Chairman Clifford to be well taken.

Hon. Mr. Eberts also an objection to note, and a protest to record. He took exception to the headlines in the Colonist, and wanted to know if the newspapers should be permitted to publish reports of the evidence and comment thereon before the committee had completed its labors and returned its findings?

It appeared strange to him that a man should be on trial before a jury such as the committee and at the same time be convicted by the press.

"That's just what it amounts to," acquiesced Mr. McPhillips.

The committee agreed that flaring headlines in the newspapers were most objectionable.

"The headlines are all that a great many people read," said Mr. Eberts.

Mr. Clifford said that the opinion of the public was getting rather tired of the evidence before the committee.

Mr. McPhillips held that the press should be allowed to publish the evidence either to publish a full stenographic report of the evidence, or no reports at all.

With this suggestion Hon. Mr. Eberts concurred. A full verbatim report only could be satisfactory.

Chairman Clifford held that it would be necessary to leave the whole matter to the honor of the press, or exclude the press altogether.

Mr. McPhillips complained that the Colonist was too prone to color everything to suit its political purposes, and especially this inquiry.

Mr. Smith certainly could not agree with this. He thought that all the reports were on the whole equally fair.

So thought Mr. Green. Objection might be taken to certain headlines, but the reports in his opinion were distinctly genuine and fair.

The examination of Mr. Eberts then proceeded. He had told Mr. Taylor that Mr. Wells had said at the executive meeting in effect that Mr. Taylor had improved his position in Montreal by a share or interest in a land company if he would deliver up certain grants.

Witness had asked Mr. Wells, "Do you think I'm guilty of anything wrong?"

Witness had replied, "Certainly not." Witness had said that he did not believe Mr. Taylor would be guilty of such a thing either.

Mr. Taylor had been very indignant when Mr. Wells' charge was related to him, and had asked if he might not go before the executive and defend his character. Mr. Taylor at that time had made no statement to witness as to what had occurred in Montreal.

Mr. Wells had on a subsequent occasion denied that he had told the story to Mr. Dunsinuir in the first instance. He could not just recall the circumstances of the conversation. It was on the 24th March that Mr. Wells had denied that he had made the statement to Mr. Dunsinuir.

Mr. Wells had stated that it was Mr. Dunsinuir.

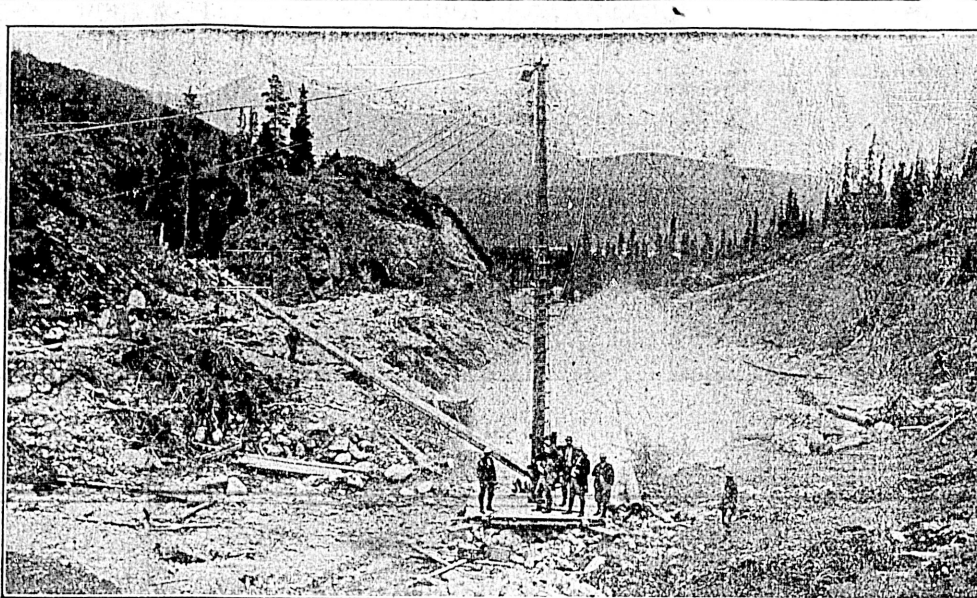
Witness said Mr. Brown complaining of the recession, at a meeting of the executive. He could not recall any reasons for the cancellation being given Mr. Brown.

It was a stormy session, far as Mr. Brown was concerned. He had been very vigorous in his protests. No reasons for the cancellation were given Mr. Brown. Mr. Brown read a telegram from Sir Thomas Shandness, president of the C. P. R., in which he said that people in public life could not in respect to contracts, Brown had asked each of the ministers in turn if they believed that Mr. Shandness would be implicated in such a transaction as alleged in Mr. Wells' report of the Taylor incident.

The ministers had said that they did not regard Mr. Shandness or the C. P. R. as so implicated. They either said this or said nothing at all. Witness did not remember that any promise that legislation would be introduced in 1902 under which the company could get these blocks had been made by Mr. Wells. If any such arrangement had been made, it was not within witness' recollection.

The question of the recession of the grants, witness knew, came up on the 18th of March. The members of the government were aware as early as the 3rd of March, that inquiries were being made in this matter. As to Mr. Wells' statement that in a conversation with witness, he (Wells) had said that if the grants were delivered "the government would have to go," Mr. Eberts had replied, "let us go then."

Witness and Mr. Dunsinuir were pressing for the delivery of the grants; Mr. Wells did not deliver the grants. The matter of the effect upon the government, politically, of the disclosure of these facts in connection with the grants, was discussed among the members of the government. Witness would not say the government attempted to keep back the information in this matter. The return of information to the House was ordered the day after the recession order was passed. He had never heard it given as a reason for the non-delivery of the grants that the company would not agree to build the road to Spencer's Bridge. He had never heard any reason given for the non-delivery of the grants. He could not say that political pressure in the House was the reason for the non-delivery of the grants. He could not say that the government had before that date resolved that the grants could not be delivered. He understood that Mr. Wells was taking this position. He



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## A Protest From The Unionists

Deputation Waits on Premier Balfour But Gets Little Satisfaction.

Despite Principles Government See Possibility of Recourse to Protection.

London, May 15.—Premier Balfour accompanied by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Ritchie, today received a large and influential deputation of Unionist members of the House of Commons, headed by Chaglin, a former president of the Board of Agriculture, members of the House of Lords and delegates from the Chambers of Commerce and of Agriculture, who protested against the remission of the grain duty.

Mr. Balfour made a long argument in reply to the representations of the deputation, but did not give the slightest indication of conceding to the demands. Without the slightest intention on the part of the government, he said the tax had accidentally given some protection to the millers, thus indirectly and unexpectedly the farmers, but the government must not be blamed for remitting the tax. It was never intended to be a protective measure. Protection could not be introduced silently, as if by accident, and without a broad, public endorsement of such a change in the national policy.

The Premier contended that immediately it became clear that the grain duty divided the two parliamentary parties of the country, it also became clear that the tax could not be a permanent part of the fiscal system. He did not intend that the present system was necessarily permanent. New conditions had arisen since the old free trade policy was adopted, and he could imagine circumstances under which Great Britain, by way of retaliation, would not longer consent to be made a market for the products of other countries living under different conditions. He believed in universal free trade, but, at present, every country except Great Britain was protected.

Mr. Balfour concluded with saying he would welcome a closer fiscal union of the Motherland and the Colonies. The movement, however, would be extremely difficult to carry out and must come from the heart, conscience and intellect of the great masses of the people.

## EMMA CALVE'S NARROW ESCAPE

Takes Overdose of Aconite and is Unable to Appear on Stage.

Paris, May 15.—Mme. Emma Calve, the singer who was engaged to appear at the Sarah Bernhardt theatre last night, owing to having accidentally taken an overdose of aconite as a remedy for the grippe, has entirely recovered, but her doctor recommends a closer fiscal union of the Motherland and the Colonies. The movement, however, would be extremely difficult to carry out and must come from the heart, conscience and intellect of the great masses of the people.

## COLOMA VOLCANO.

Tuxpam Jalisco, Mexico, May 15.—There has been another violent eruption of the Coloma volcano, accompanied by deafening subterranean noises, and a plentiful flow of lava and heavy rain of ashes. People on the haciendas and ranches in the neighborhood of the volcano have abandoned their pueblos for safer places.

## NO RACE YESTERDAY.

Gale Again Prevented Shamrocks from Trial Trips.

Gourock, May 15.—A continuance of the gale today prevented the Shamrocks from racing. Arrangements have been completed for docking the two yachts Monday, overhauling them and fitting them with their ocean gear.

## U. S. RETALIATION.

Germany Sees Trouble in New Laws Governing Adulteration of Foods.

Berlin, May 15.—The publication throughout Germany of the statement that the United States agricultural appropriation bill passed at the last session of congress, contained a clause authorizing the exclusion of adulterated foods and drinks, has frightened German exporters, especially of beers, sausages and wines, who believe that the United States at last intends to retaliate for the meat and other food discriminations of Germany.

## Sir Thomas Interviewed

C. P. R. President Arrives at Winnipeg En Route For Victoria.

Relates Circumstances Leading Up to Issue of Crown Grants.

Winnipeg, May 15.—Sir Thomas Shandness, president of the C. P. R., arrived in Winnipeg this afternoon in his private car Manitoba. He is on his way to Victoria, where he will give evidence before the commission inquiring into the South Kootenay land grants scandal.

Sir Thomas was seen by a reporter on his arrival today, and in reply to a question as to the probable outcome of the inquiry into the Kootenay land grants, and the cause of the scandal, he replied: "I do not know just what you mean by the British Columbia scandal, although I notice that some of the Associated Press despatches relating to the meetings of the legislative commission at Victoria have that sort of heading."

"The greater portion of the land covered by the patents under discussion was twelve years ago reserved by order-in-council for the purpose of satisfying any deficiency in the land grant to the British Columbia Southern railway, provided for by an act of the provincial legislature. Six years ago the Canadian Pacific railway secured the control of the charter of the British Columbia Southern railway and built the railway through the Crow's Nest Pass. As a consequence, the British Columbia Southern railway became entitled to the land grants specified in the statute."

"The provincial legislature in 1894 or 1895, I think, voted a land grant to another railway known as the Columbia & Western, for the construction of a line from Trail to Midway, the grant to be satisfied from the lands adjacent to the railway line in alternate areas, and any deficiency to be made up out of other lands under the control of the Crown as represented by the province of British Columbia. In 1898, the Canadian Pacific acquired this charter also, and built the railway, which thereupon became entitled to the land grant."

"When they came to locate the land and issue the patents, the British Columbia government claimed that a portion of the land in the southeast corner of the province, that had been set aside for a railway block for the British Columbia Southern railway, was not required to satisfy that company's grant, because there was sufficient acreage in other blocks without having recourse to this reserve in its entirety. When the government was required to decide the subsidy lands to the Columbia & Western Company, it was found that it would be difficult to provide the requisite area along the line of railway, and negotiations between the company and government resulted in the government issuing patents to the Columbia & Western Railway Company, these patents including the greater portion of the British Columbia Southern reserve."

"The land not given to the latter company for the reasons that I have explained. Subsequently, the government undertook to cancel some of these patents in contravention, we claim, of our legal rights to the land. Reasons have been advanced by the government to justify their action, and it is with reference to these that I am now going to Victoria to give evidence before a commission of the legislature, and I naturally prefer not to discuss the facts which are not controverted."

"We have always disputed the right of the British Columbia government to cancel these patents of its own motion, and have contended that the lands in question have been vested in our company from the time of the actual issue of the patents, and at the time the British Columbia legislature at its present session passed the act which has occasioned the present controversy, that is, the act of revoking patents, the Columbia & Western company was the plaintiff in several actions in the courts of British Columbia, brought for the purpose of testing the validity of these patents."

## AUSTRALIAN STRIKE DECLARED OFF

Drastic Measures Dealing With the Trouble Caused Precipitate Surrender.

Melbourne, Victoria, May 15.—The president of the Engine Drivers' Association, in an interview with respect to the settlement of the railroad strike, said the surrender was due to the drastic nature of the strike bill, which was sure of adoption.

## SUICIDE.

Toronto, May 15.—William Lebar, French-Canadian, twenty-six years old, hanged himself with a rope in a barn on Front street yesterday.

## Pick Pockets Work Passengers

Travellers Relieved of Their Purse at Calgary Station By Sneak Thieves.

Engineer to Locating Grand Trunk Crossing of Winnipeg River.

Winnipeg, May 15.—A farmer named C. Fournier was robbed of \$750 in \$10 bills while boarding a C. P. R. train at Calgary. He was jostled by several men while getting on the train, and found his money missing when well on his journey. Another traveler lost \$200 in the same manner.

Daniel J. McLeod, the young man stricken with smallpox last week, died at the quarantine hospital today. No other cases exist, and quarantine has been closed.

G. A. Kyle, divisional engineer, and W. Rice, who has charge of the survey party, have left Rat Portage with a number of men to determine the most suitable spot for the projected Grand Trunk to cross the Winnipeg river.

## HARRIMAN AND APPENDICITIS

The Railroad Magnate is Taken Suddenly Ill While on Train.

Chicago, May 15.—A despatch to the Record-Herald from Omaha says: "E. H. Harriman, of the Union and Southern Pacific railways, arrived here late last night from the West, and, believing himself afflicted with a serious attack of appendicitis, he has been taken to the hospital. Dr. Summers, of the Union Pacific medical department, had been called, and is now traveling with him to New York. The first news of his illness became known when the representative of the striking machinists called upon him to arrange the projected conference between the Union Pacific and its men. Mr. Harriman could not see them."

## MENTAL TORTURE UNNERVES BOODLER

Accused Senator in Tears, Relates Bribery Deals to St. Louis Grand Jury.

St. Louis, Mo., May 15.—Unable to bear the strain of the mental torture which he says he has suffered since the grand jury investigation into legislative hoodlums was instituted, former State Senator Fred L. Busche went before Circuit Attorney Folk and made a clean and far-reaching confession of his connection with corrupt deals, extending over a period of eight years. Busche's declaration involves several men of prominence, and he names those who have been conspicuous at the state capital as distributors of booze. Later Busche was taken before the grand jury, where he remained an hour. When he emerged from the jury room tears were streaming down his cheeks, and with his face buried in his hands he hurried away.

## RUSSIA IN ASIA.

Telegraph Reports Indicate Manchuria as Part of Czar's Dominions.

Shanghai, May 15.—A British official here has received from the Imperial Chinese Telegraphs a memorandum which, verbatim, is as follows: "In regard to charges to Newchwang at about 28 cents a word, since Russia has occupied it, Manchuria charges being increased to one dollar ten cents, as they treat Manchuria same as Russia in Asia."

## SUBVERSIVE OF DISCIPLINE

Emperor William Resents Commander's Order Against Mal-treatment of Soldiers.

Berlin, May 15.—The controversy regarding the resignation of the Hereditary Prince of Saxe-Meiningen, brother-in-law of the Emperor William, from the command of the Sixth army corps, which has been the subject of a lively interest in army circles for about two weeks, seems to have been settled by a statement in the semi-official Munich Allgemeine Zeitung today to the effect that the Prince's retirement was due to the receipt of an autograph letter from Emperor William, commanding him to revoke his army order against the maltreatment of soldiers. The Emperor held that the order was subversive of discipline, because it encouraged soldiers to complain to officers of their rank of their treatment by officers of lower rank. The Prince's relations with his brother-in-law had long been strained, so when he received the Emperor's letter, April 30, he immediately resigned, and His Majesty telegraphed his acceptance of the Prince's resignation from Rome, May 3. Incidental to the resignation of the Prince, it is mentioned that the Emperor did not attend the silver wedding of the Prince and Princess of Saxe-Meiningen at Kiel at the residence of Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia.

## News of The Mainland

Terminal City Grand Jury ask For Resident Supreme Court Judge.

Few Japanese Will Likely Take Part in Fisheries This Year.

Vancouver Ball Grounds Are Being Put in Good Shape For Opening.

From Our Own Correspondent.  
Vancouver, May 15.—In the Assize Court today Sim Nichols was acquitted on the charge of assaulting S. Gates. The charge grew out of the C. P. R. strike. Gates is a substitute; Sim Nichols is striking locomotive engineer.

In the presentment of the grand jury it was pointed out that money and valuable time was being lost by there being no Supreme Court judge resident in Vancouver; a copy of a letter from the Board of Trade was also included in the presentment referring to the same matter. The growth of juvenile crime was also referred to by the grand jury.

The Vancouver engineering works have under contemplation the erection of a dry dock in Vancouver.

The foundries continue to turn out large numbers of monkey engines. Many of them are getting more abundant and are easier in price.

The Brockton Point Association have decided to allow the Amateur Athletic Baseball team to affiliate. There will be amateur baseball at the Point this season.

The monthly meeting of the hospital board took place last night. The news of the grant of \$20,000 from the provincial government was received with much satisfaction.

It is reported by prominent Japanese that few Japanese will be likely to season. Many of them are now selling their boats and gear and going into the woods.

John Jankey is in the city jail charged with attempted murder. Jankey attacked Alexander Hopla in the street on Sunday with a knife cutting his ear in two and gashing his neck. Hopla notified the police and Jankey was traced to Vancouver and arrested by the police here.

The Fairview baseball grounds on Heather street is being rapidly put in shape for the season. The first game will be inaugurated by a procession, headed by a brass band.

The Navy League held a meeting last night. The attendance was disappointing. Sir Herbert Turner occupied the chair. Sir Herbert, Capt. Eddie, the organizer, and Col. Faulk Warren were the speakers.

A large number of local wheelmen paid a visit to Westminster this evening, and were present at the May Day ball, returning late at night. The roads were in fair condition, but a little heavy from recent rains.

Chicken stealing is very prevalent in Vancouver. The thieves are boys, who sell the chickens to Chinamen. As there is no place to keep the birds, they are usually liberated on suspended sentence. This plan does not, however, seem to work, as the same boys have been up for thieving several times.

The Senior Vancouver Lacrosse Club held a full practice tonight.

**GOLD EXPORT FROM U. S.**  
New York, May 15.—A total of \$1,500,000 gold coin has been withdrawn from the sub-treasury for shipment to South America tomorrow. This represents two distinct transactions.

**ELEVATOR BURNED.**  
Nesbit, Man., May 15.—At 9:30 last night fire destroyed the Dominion Company's elevator, containing about 13,000 bushels of wheat. The fire is supposed to have started at the top of the elevator.

**CATHEDRAL BURNED.**  
Denver, Colo., May 15.—St. John Episcopal cathedral was destroyed by fire, believed to be of incendiary origin, early today. The loss is placed at \$100,000.

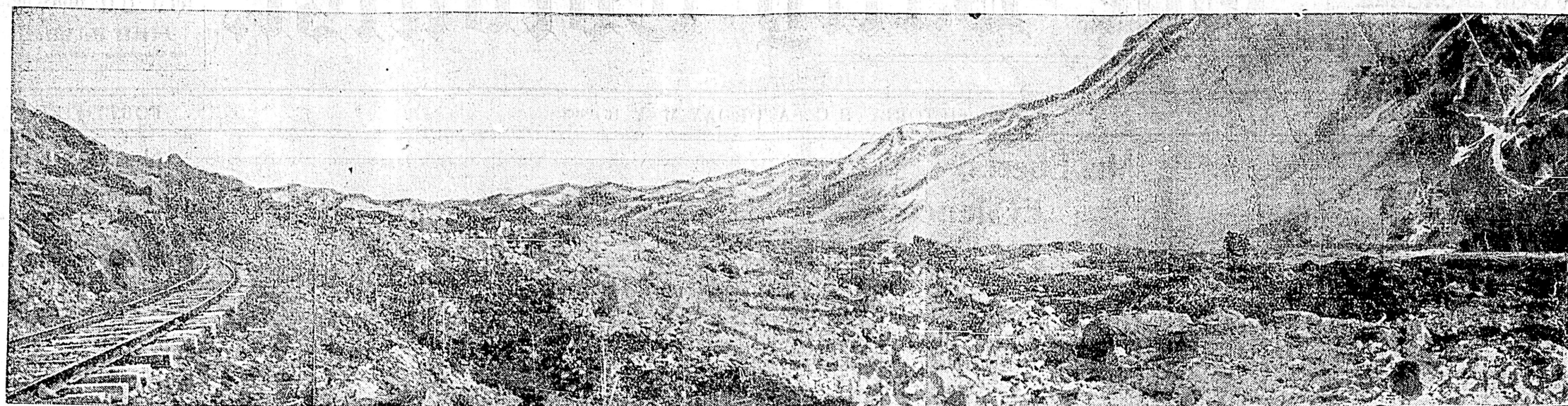
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THE SLIDE VIEWED FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE VALLEY

Track is two miles from foot of mountain.

In this photograph Turtle Mountain is on the reader's right.

## The Dominion Representation

### Conservatives And Liberals Agree on British Columbia's Proportion.

### Mr. Prefontaine Knows Nothing of False Creek Flats Lease.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, May 15.—The following are the Conservative proposals, practically the same as the Liberals, for redistribution of British Columbia, giving the province seven seats; Kootenay, comprising the provincial electoral districts of Columbia, Fernie, Cranbrook, Kaslo, St. George, Revelstoke, Nelson, Rossland, population, 32,301; Yale-Cariboo, comprising Cariboo, Kamloops, Okanagan, Grand Forks, Greenwood, Simulacane, Yale, 20,498; New Westminster, comprising Dewdney, Chilliwack, Delta, Richmond and New Westminster, 23,322; Vancouver city, 27,010; Victoria, 20,919; Nanaimo, comprising Esquimalt, Saanich, the Islands, Cowichan, New castle, Alberni and Nanaimo, 26,474; Cassiar, comprising Comox, Skeena and Atlin, 18,543.

Capt. Luit Stewart, of the Sixth, is the only British Columbian representative on the B. C. Council.

Mr. Earle asked Hon. Mr. Prefontaine today about False Creek papers moved for two weeks ago. Mr. Prefontaine had to admit that he knew nothing about it.

Aulay Morrison returned to Ottawa today.

Premier Laurier said that instructions to the transportation commission are being drafted.

Mr. Charlton initiated a discussion on the raising of colonial officers in the army, and strongly protested against the action of patriotic officers of some British regiments. Minister Borden thought the matter no concern of Canadians, and believed colonial officers well treated as a rule.

Premier Laurier held out no hope of government assistance to Ottawa fire sufferers.

The Japanese government have placed order for 15,000 tons of Canadian flour. This is the first result of Canada's representation at Osaka.

### LETTER'S LIQUIDATION.

Officers Twenty Cents on Dollar in Settlement of Wheat Corner.

New York, May 15.—An attorney in this city today made the announcement that Joseph Leiter, who figured in the wheat corner of 1897 and 1898, has made a proposition to his creditors to settle their claims against him for 20 cents on the dollar. It is understood that Leiter's father will guarantee that this proposition will be carried out.

### INDIAN AGENT DEAD.

Frank Devlin Passed Away at New Westminster Yesterday.

New Westminster, May 15.—Frank Devlin, Indian agent, died at noon today. Deceased was a native of Ireland, and was born on the 27th March, 1854. He was formerly on the Toronto police force, and for some years was special officer and detective for C. P. R., with headquarters at Vancouver. In 1888 he was appointed chief of police at New Westminster, and on 13th October, 1892, was appointed Indian agent. He was unmarried.

Mr. Devlin was a man of sterling integrity and had no enemies save only the wrong-doers. He enjoyed the thorough confidence and respect alike of all his superiors and subordinates in the department.

### SITUATION AT ATLIN.

Trails Breaking Up—Cases of Claim Jumping.

Atlin, B. C., May 15.—Trails here are beginning to break up, the last trail in being delayed three days on route. The Log Cabin trail will now have to be abandoned, and travel will be made by the old Cariboo Crossing. Considerable excitement is being caused recently by several cases of claim jumping on three creeks. The public is not in sympathy with the jumpers.

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Sluicing on the winter dumps on Pine, Spruce, and Gold Run will commence in about a week. Results will certainly far surpass that of last year. McKee Creek Hydraulic Company (Atlin Lake Mining Company) will begin piling in about ten days.

## E. & J. BURKE'S THREE STAR OLD IRISH WHISKEY

A Soft, mellow flavored Whiskey produced by age and high quality.

### REDPATH PROFESSOR.

Harkness Appointed to Mathematical Chair at McGill.

Montreal, May 15.—Prof. Harkness, of Bryn Mawr College, has been appointed to the vacant chair of Redpath Professor of Mathematics in McGill University.

### MURDERERS SENTENCED.

Murderers of Captain of Veronica Condemned to Death.

Toronto, May 15.—The News' London cable says: Three German sailors who were accused of murdering the captain and several of the crew of the Canadian sailing ship Veronica, of St. John, N. B., were yesterday found guilty and sentenced to death.

### NEW BANK NOTES.

Molson's Issue an Artistic Departure From Usual Design.

Montreal, May 15.—The Molson bank has just issued two handsome bank notes of the denominations of \$5 and \$10, which mark a new era in bank note design. The intermingling of black with the two color printings, one green and one brown, the latter containing vignette work as important as that of black, makes these notes new in conception and execution. The whole work on examination exhibits exquisite detail and finish, and the bank is to be congratulated upon having made such a successful departure from the usual forms.

### GAMEY CHARGES INVESTIGATION

### Hammond Was Asked to Forget Part of Gamey's Conversation.

Toronto, May 15.—At the Gamey investigation today, O. Hammond, Globe reporter, repeated circumstances attending the Gamey interview of January 29. "Did Mr. Stratten at any time ask you to suppress your knowledge regarding this interview?" he was asked.

"We had a discussion respecting it. We had a discussion about what took place a few days after Gamey made his charge in the House. He asked me for my recollection of what took place on the day of the interview or the day before. I recalled some of the things that I remember, and he said that he did not remember one or two things which I had mentioned, and the next day he said to me that I was right."

Q.—"Anything else?"

A.—"A few days after that, I think it was the time he asked me to prepare my statement and give it to Mr. Johnston. I did a few days later. I met him in the corridor after the House met, at 6 o'clock. He walked along the corridor with me and asked me if I could not forget some of the things, and I didn't go beyond that at all. I don't know what he referred to in particular."

Q.—"What was your reply to his request to forget part of it or some of it?"

A.—"I think I said I might forget things I wasn't asked about."

Q.—"No, I don't think I said anything more than that?"

A.—"I think he repeated the remark, 'I didn't forget the other than that?'"

Q.—"What remark?"

A.—"The remark which I gave you previously—'Will you forget some of the things?'"

E. Beckingham, former law partner of T. P. Coffey, manager of the Trust & Guarantee Company, was examined with regard to some of his checks and transactions with Coffey about September 11, but it was shown that they had absolutely nothing to do with the case. The commission then adjourned until tomorrow.

### KOOTENAY TRAMWAY.

Rossland, May 15.—The survey for the tramway from the Kootenay mine to the Canadian Pacific railway was completed today. It is about a mile and a quarter in length, terminating at Floyd's Sliding. It will have a capacity of 300 tons of ore daily. The tramway is an important addition to the extensive list of construction works planned for Rossland camp this summer.

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## For Imperial Reciprocity

### Joseph Chamberlain Strikes a New Note in Empire's Politics.

### Deprecates Popular Interpretation of Doctrine of Free Trade.

London, May 15.—Addressing his constituents at Birmingham tonight, Colonial Secretary Chamberlain made an important speech, which seems to foreshadow the direct raising of the question of free trade vs. protection at the next general election.

In the beginning of his speech, Mr. Chamberlain referred to his South African tour, and to his return home, to find the minds of the people filled with questions. He made light of the difficulty he had been told assailed the Unionist party. For him, these local questions were comparatively unimportant beside the great Imperial policy upon which the fate of the Empire depended, namely, "whether we stand together one free nation against all the world, or whether we shall fall into separate states, selfishly seeking their own interests and losing the advantages that unity alone can give."

In a passing reference to Home Rule, Mr. Chamberlain said that if separation began with Home Rule, the Empire would dissolve into its component atoms. But if he could believe that the separation party frankly had abandoned Home Rule, he would be the first to sing "Nunc dimittis."

The Colonial Secretary proceeded strongly to urge the necessity, in order to preserve the Great Empire, that the trade of the Colonies should be secured. Canada had offered exceptional advantages, he said, which Great Britain did not dare to accept, because of the narrow interpretation of the doctrine of free trade, the policy of dictation in the Shorofort. The foreign powers, Mr. Chamberlain said, he was justified by the belief that Great Britain was so wedded to its fiscal system that it could not defend its Colonies. This was a position not intended by the pioneers of free trade, who, if they were alive today, would agree to a treaty of preference and reciprocity with the Empire's children.

The speaker said he believed that an entirely wrong interpretation had been placed upon the doctrine of free trade, but that the country ought not to be bound by this, and it should not hesitate to resort to retaliation if necessary. The interests between the colonies and the home country were threatened.

Mr. Chamberlain avowed himself a free trader, but he objected to the artificial and narrow interpretation of free trade, he pointed out that Cobden had made, and that Bright had approved, a preferential treaty with France, and said: "There are two alternatives before you, first to maintain the free trade policy of all its severity, although it is repudiated by the overwhelming majority of colonies; second, to insist that we be not bound by any purely technical definition of free trade, while we seek the enlargement of the free interchange of commerce between ourselves and all the nations of the world we will nevertheless reserve our freedom, resume the power of negotiation, and if necessary retaliation."

In conclusion, the Colonial Secretary said he desired that the discussion, this subject should be open. It was an issue graver in its consequences than mere local disputes. A mistake in legislation could be corrected, he said, but a mistake in the Imperial policy was irrevocable. Personally he did not think a general election very near, but whether near or distant, the issue would depend on whether the people have it in their hearts to do all that is necessary, even if it occasionally went against their prejudices, to consolidate an Empire which could only be maintained by relations of interest as well as by relations of sentiment.

### CONSERVATIVE CANDIDATE.

Toronto, May 15.—A. A. McHaffey, of Toronto, will be the Conservative candidate for Muskoka seat vacated by the death of the late Dr. Bridgland.

### DEVELOP NEWFOUNDLAND.

Four Thousand Square Miles of Timber Lands to be Worked.

Montreal, May 15.—A big deal was completed at Windsor today, when B. T. Pearson, of Halifax, on behalf of Newfoundland Timber Estates Company, closed negotiations with Lewis Miller, of Cribbs, Scotland, for the purchase of 4,000 square miles of timber along the line of the Reid Railway in Newfoundland. Mr. Miller received \$800,000, and today announced that he will now return to Scotland with \$1,000,000 of the stock company underwritten. It is intended to establish eight sawmills. In order to keep these in full operation, arrangements have been made to cut 50,000,000 feet of lumber each year. "In addition to this the company will at once undertake on a large scale the manufacture of pulp."

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### BIG JEWEL ROBBERY.

Mrs. Lorillard Has \$50,000 Stolen Between London and Paris.

London, May 16.—It is said that Mrs. Pierre Lorillard of New York has been robbed of \$50,000 worth of jewels while traveling from Paris to London.

### HARRIMAN'S CONDITION.

Physicians Pronounce Case Slight Attack of Appendicitis.

Chicago, May 15.—Mr. Harriman underwent an examination upon his arrival here, and the physicians pronounced his affliction as a light attack of appendicitis. His condition was found to be not serious, but he was advised to continue his journey to New York without delay.

### CONTRACT LABORERS QUIT.

Longshoremen Imported From England Refuse to Work in Montreal.

Montreal, May 15.—Forty-seven longshoremen imported from England by the Canadian Pacific having refused to work since the settlement of the strike, were arrested. In court today they pleaded not guilty, and were remanded. The men were brought here under contract.

### PROLONGED LITIGATION.

Hundred Thousand Dollar Stearns Mine Pays Half to Lawyers.

Nelson, B. C., May 15.—The suit of Dockstead vs. Clarke was entered today for trial next week. This case is sixth to be brought over the ownership of the Caledonia mine. The Stearns mine is valued at \$100,000, but over \$50,000 has already been spent in legal fees. It has been before the courts since 1896. There are now six living claimants of the mine. The original claimants both have died.

### THE MUSIC HALLS.

Mr. Lando, the india-rubber man, will complete his marvelous feats at the Orpheum tonight. As a contortionist Mr. Lando cannot be surpassed. Mr. Halder, the great American juggler, is still performing his many skillful acts, and at each performance adding many new and attractive features. Mr. Will Marshall "The Sweet Singer" is receiving many ovations for the mastery of his rendition of "Old Indiana," and the beautiful illustration song entitled "Just Next Door." A gold watch will be given away this afternoon after the conclusion of the second performance. The only requirement is that the holder of the winning number be in the house.

The home of real vaudeville and life-size moving pictures amused some three hundred school children yesterday afternoon. The management of the Edison theatre gives away two or three hundred passes to school children each day, and they are good for any matinee except Saturday. The programme is excellent, and causes every child to have a hearty laugh. The three Millards in their comedy sketch, have made a decided hit. The little child has won the hearts of all. Prof. Fox, the renowned and gifted juggler, and old and young. His imitations of our most noted song birds are among the most perfect we ever heard. Harry Harrison renders the illustrated song "Down on the Farm." The management announces a complete change of programme next week.

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### MARRIED.

POTTER—MARSHALL—On the 14th inst., at Christ Church Cathedral, by Rev. Canon Bonland, Thomas Potter to George Marshall, both of this city.

### DIED.

GHIMOUR—At Montreal, on May 14th, Margaret Rodger, aged 76, widow of the late Jas. Ghimour, of Belth, Scotland, and mother of Mrs. T. M. Henderson, of this city.

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Area No. 2.—All of Cranford Island, excepting those portions already reserved as timber limits.

Area No. 3.—All the land situated at Port Neville lying west of the 126th meridian between Sunderland Channel and Port Neville.

Area No. 4.—That portion of Thurlow Island extending six miles eastward from the water.

Area No. 5.—Commencing at a point three miles west of Chatham Point; thence westerly along the southerly shore of Johnston Strait two miles and a half; thence south three miles, thence east two miles and a half; thence north to place of beginning.

Area No. 6.—All the lands situated on McBride's Bay, at the head of Loughborough Inlet, and being three miles wide and extending north a distance of three miles.

Area No. 8.—All the lands lying at the head of Phillips Arm and being two miles wide and extending in a northerly direction a distance of four miles.

Area No. 9.—All the lands lying west of Thurlow Island, and being two miles wide and extending in a northerly direction a distance of six miles; thence in a northerly direction a distance of six miles; thence in a northerly direction a distance of six miles to the place of beginning.

Area No. 10.—All the lands lying at the head of Campbell River and around Butte's Lake and outside of Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway land grant, beginning at the Upper Campbell River and extending along the E. & N. Railway land grant a distance of thirty miles; thence in a southerly direction a distance of eighteen miles; thence in a northerly direction thirty miles; thence in a northerly direction a distance of eighteen miles to point of commencement.

W. S. GORE, Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., 15th May, 1903.

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## AN INGENIOUS RACE.

Britons and Americans have an idea that they are the most practical races on earth, and the latter claim an inventive capacity in excess of any other people. As a matter of fact the so-called inventive genius of the American is very similar to that of the Briton. They are both imitative and adaptive of ideas that have already been proved to have a utilitarian value rather than susceptible to new ideas. Americans may adapt and develop new ideas quicker than Britons after they have made up their minds that they have a utilitarian value, but their attitude towards new ideas regarding which they have not so made up their minds, is as sneering and contemptuous as that of the Britons, if anything more so. Inventive genius is probably found in individuals of all races in about equal proportions. A nation need not pride itself upon the individual inventor. Its attitude to the invention as such is what it may legitimately be congratulated upon. If that is admitted, it is the quick-witted Frenchman who is entitled to the palm, not the Anglo-Saxon, whether British or American. The French are the people who took up and developed the automobile, the name of which is a tribute to their connection with this remarkable modern invention. The French were sympathetic to the idea of a horseless carriage before the utility of horseless carriages was understood. Similarly with submarine navigation, the French have painstakingly experimented with this invention when neither the English nor the Americans had any grasp of its coming utility in war and peace. Very remarkable results the French have already achieved, sufficiently remarkable for the opinion to be hazarded that the future of naval warfare lies with submarine vessels, and not with floating castles. That is the opinion the French hold anyway, and such an opinion and the lack of it in England and America illustrates precisely the difference in character we are pointing out. Who, except the French, again, would ever have thought of hanging up prizes for, and encouraging by public demonstration the science of aerial navigation? The other day an airship started out from Paris and made a journey over several suburban towns, circled the spire of the Nantes cathedral, and returned to Paris. The journey occupied one hour and thirty-six minutes, and the distance traveled was 23 miles. Aerial navigation is at present of no practical utility, and therefore its development is confined to France. But when it does become of practical utility will not a great deal of the credit belong to the French and their active interest in scientific progress for itself, and not because financiers can make money and common people increase their comforts by it.

## THE YUKON OUTPUT.

It is generally the fashion to assume every year about this time that the output of gold from the Yukon is going to be greater than that of the preceding year. We are afraid that there is no reason for such an assumption. Reliable authorities say that the gold output of the Yukon will this year be less than it was last year, and that so far as gold derived from exceptionally rich ground is concerned it shows no signs of recuperation. Evidently that is the anticipated indulgence in by the banks. If the columns of the Dawson News are to be credited there is a pretty good prospect of credit restriction going on in Dawson which is very unfavorably affecting the business interests of the city. In Dawson there is a long period of credit and a rapid liquidation immediately the clean-up begins, and the stream of gold commences to flow. This, it is needless to say, affords a very profitable business opportunity for the banks, and one they would not be likely to curtail, unless they were afraid that their commitments were becoming larger than the output of gold is likely to liquidate. In other words, it is only an anticipated restriction of output which would lead the banks to restrict credit to the business community. There comes a time in every placer mining country when the rich deposits of gold procurable by crude methods and a limited water supply become more or less exhausted; and that time is, as a rule, not long delayed, because the object of everyone owning and operating placer ground is to exhaust it as soon as possible. The quicker the gold can be got out of the ground the greater the profit in getting it out. When that time comes, the future of the country depends upon working lower-grade ground with adequate machinery and an adequate water supply, and that means intelligent co-operation and the investment of heavy capital. This is always a difficult corner for a placer country to take. The necessary capital to inaugurate a water supply and mining operations upon a grand scale must receive a fair show of adequate compensation. The natural tendency of capital is to seek the largest possible compensation it can secure, and it is not seldom that this tendency comes into conflict with local interests in the shape of claims and water rights. In fact, so uniform is this conflict that most placer camps die out altogether as such, before they are again worked upon a comprehensive scale in the only way by which their remaining treasures can be profitably secured. In the Yukon the natural difficulties of such a situation are accentuated by the fact that the government is thoroughly distrusted, and

that every concession given for the purpose of securing capital is tainted in the eyes of the people with very excusable suspicions of corruption. The great sufferer by the character of the Yukon administration is the Yukon itself. While gold was pouring out in a giddy and intoxicating stream, the character which the administration was earning for itself might be neglected and ignored by the business elements of the territory. But now that the territory is approaching the crisis of its history, a strong, honest and trusted administration is an asset of which the Yukon is bound to feel the want, and the first to suffer are those business elements which connived at and ignored the reputation the administration was acquiring so long as they were making money, and which are now face to face with the effect of that reputation when they are no longer making money.

## THE INEVITABLE.

It is an astonishing thing how the activities, opinions, resentments, and ideas of human beings repeat themselves. Given the same circumstances and the reaction upon those circumstances of any set of human beings you like to name, and you will get exactly the same results. It is not very complimentary to human individuality, perhaps, but it is inevitable to human nature. At the Gurney investigation, there has been precisely the same trouble in respect to the newspapers, which is appearing in the investigation before a parliamentary committee in British Columbia, and that again was preceded by precisely the same trouble during the sittings of the Parnell commission some years ago in London. We may go further and declare that it will crop up in every parliamentary or political investigation which ever takes place in the future. Some people make it a ground of complaint against the province, that our legislators constitute a peculiar and special brand of legislator. It is very strong evidence to the contrary that during the conduct of such an investigation as the present, they take the same objections in almost the same language to the proceedings of the newspapers in connection with the investigation, as their contemporaries in Toronto and their predecessors in London. It is quite evident that there must be a fundamental common cause for such a similarity of conduct. What is it? The reason is that in the newspapers the politicians see themselves as others see them, and not as they see themselves. Politicians are greatly gifted. The press is the power of which Burns spoke which enables them to see themselves as others see them. Under ordinary circumstances they cannot resist it, and they put the portrait down to prejudice and misrepresentation. But under special circumstances, such as a semi-judicial investigation, where prejudice and misrepresentation would be even more highly improper than at any other time, they can and do resent even the most faithful portrayal. Any portrait of their words and actions, and attitudes, which does not represent them as saying, doing, and being exactly what, in their imaginative egoism, they think they say, do, and are, is to them, journalistic assassination. It is journalistic assassination, but all that is assassinated is the false picture of himself which every man, as well as every politician, carries in his own breast. Every reputable newspaper regrets exceedingly any breach, however slight and unintentional, of the respect due to proceedings of a grave and important character, and no reputable newspaper deliberately colors news. The good newspaper man is the man, in passing through whose brain, the news he reproduces, receives the smallest amount of refraction. Most politicians, however, desire to woo their constituencies through the photographs produced in the press, and what they want is a skilled photographer, who can touch up the plates so as to make an Adonis out of a Satyr.

## ORACULAR.

The oracles of Delphi were not more vague and mysterious than the utterances of the Times upon the political situation. There was an article in the Times the day before yesterday which was so utterly unlike anything that ever before appeared in its columns, that it gave us the impression not merely of novelty, but of importance. We read it, with care but could extract neither meaning nor guidance from it. What it meant was to our humbler intelligence "mystery." Yesterday another article appears in the same unvarnished style on "Colonel Prior's Duty" which is either a jest, or we have totally misunderstood its cryptic significance. The Times is not usually humorous. It is always acrimonious, even when there is truth and logic in its utterances, but from the accusation of being humorous it may safely be acquitted. But if the article in question is not a jest we should like to know what it is. It says that Colonel Prior should resign. That much is clear enough. It is what follows which amazes us. Having resigned, it appears that Colonel Prior is called upon by his duty to carry on as Premier, because he is the only man under whom, as Premier, the estimates can be passed; and that then, he should really resign, so that his successor would not have to meet the legislature for another year. This course of conduct is described as leaving the Lieutenant-Governor "untrammeled in the exercise of the prerogative." Here is a new idea, new, and original, and startling. Since when has it been possible for a private citizen, even if he be a Premier, to "untrammeled" the prerogative of the Crown under the British constitution. What this awful offense is we do not know, but if Colonel Prior is "untrammeled" the prerogative of the Crown, he should be immediately taken out to Beacon Hill and there solemnly hanged, drawn and quartered. We are prepared to recommend this course if the facts are proved as alleged. A Royal commission should immediately be issued to inquire into this awful accusation. If the prerogative of the Crown is being "untrammeled" in this province, we want to know it. We want to know what "untrammeled" is the prerogative of the Crown is, how the prerogative of the Crown is usually "untrammeled," and what process of "untrammeled" Colonel Prior is guilty of. We are prepared to advocate very extreme measures to "untrammeled" the prerogative of the Crown, even to the decapitation of the Premier. We are afraid, however, that what Colonel Prior is "untrammeled"

is not the prerogative of the Crown, but the designs of his political enemies and those of the country. If Colonel Prior has lost the confidence of the Crown, the Crown can dismiss him, if he has lost the confidence of the legislature, that body can defeat his government, if he has lost the confidence of the country, the country can snow under his supporters at the polls. That is the due course of constitutional procedure as we understand it. It is of elementary simplicity. There are some people in this country who when they discuss constitutional procedure are like Indian fakirs. They rear up a ladder on the open ground, run up it, and disappear in a cloud of mist at the top. Then the next you see of them is their coming up from somewhere to perform some other monstrous antics. In the meantime, the country goes on, and the sun rises and sets, much as usual.

The morning that the Transvaal loan was opened for public subscription, the Bank of England received 3,300 pounds of mail. This established a record in the history of the correspondence of that institution.

The output of coal from the Dominion Iron and Steel Companies collieries for April, was 263,878 tons, an increase of 21,526 tons over the corresponding month last year.

A sarcastic editor remarks anent the discussion by the clergy of the ethical standing of the Canadian newspaper press, that that standing will never be raised by the strenuous efforts of many of the clergy to get down to its level.

The Montreal Gazette says that government ownership of railways is dangerous because "it is only occasionally that a politician is also born a railway manager." That is true. It is also true, however, that many railway managers are born politicians, even if they only manage dining cars.

The Hon. Raymond Prefontaine declared during his election, that the Department of Public Works was to be divided, and that that part of it affecting rivers, canals, and harbors turned over to his Department of Marine and Fisheries. He made this declaration for the purpose of bribing the electors of Maisonneuve to vote for him. Having been elected he has been forced to declare from his place in the House of Commons that he made this declaration entirely without authority.

Senator Proctor wants the United States to apply the Monroe Doctrine to China. The Monroe Doctrine depends for its validity upon the determination of the United States to declare war if any territory to which it applies is annexed or violated by a European country. Its application to any part of the Asiatic continent would be laughed at until the United States had fought Russia, and after Russia all the other European powers. After that there would be a Monroe Doctrine or American protectorate over the whole world. Senator Proctor requires surgical treatment.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie has got himself into trouble by repeating the ignorant popular American idea of Canada, as if it were the truth. He got himself into similar trouble once before by printing the ignorant popular American idea about the British monarchy in general, and Queen Victoria in particular, as if it were the truth. After he became better acquainted with Royalty he saw fit to revise his opinions on that subject, and no doubt if he became better acquainted with Canada he would see fit to revise his opinions on this subject also. Poor little man! He is a hot-headed, warm-hearted, frangible, dyspeptic little Scotchman, with many grievous limitations, some of which he recognizes, and others of which he does not recognize. But many a man will have Andrew Carnegie to thank for a wider mental horizon than Andrew Carnegie has himself. We don't believe Carnegie is as sure of his own opinions as he is reckless in expressing them. His opinions are moreover not worth any more than those of any other warm-headed, hot-headed, irascible, dyspeptic little Scotchman. A man who has spent all his life making money, is not likely to know as much as a man who has spent his in the contemplative employment of mending broken footwear. Andrew Carnegie should visit the nearest cobbler to Skibo Castle, sit at his feet, and learn something.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## THE LIBRARY COMPETITION.

Sir,—As I believe the committee of the Council have tried as far as they are able to draw up fair conditions for the above, I am disposed to overlook many points that I think are unwise, but where the necessity for trying our hands quite so tight, in regard especially to the size and height of the shelves, and the number of books per foot, etc., I may be wrong, but I believe if we stick to these conditions and the fixtures and shelving are included, we shall get through with the competition, and I doubt very much if such a building can be erected for the money, unless it is as plain as a barn, and only if that is so, in fact we seem to be up against it anyway.

It is the attempt to force architects to do the impossible that necessarily leads to the shakening of the conditions at a later stage and trouble all round. Surely in our own interests we can be trusted to give as much accommodation as possible with an attractive exterior.

## A POSSIBLE COMPETITOR.

## LABOR QUESTION.

Sir,—It was my intention to refrain from appearing in print on this subject, but bearing in mind the view I have expressed about the terms of the competition in November last, I do not, after having read Mr. Musgrave's letter feel at liberty to withdraw my previous opinion. I thought, I thought it would be better, that some one should under a non-partisan name, express the views of those who are opposed to the present, by expressing undue influence over non-unions, or who for some time past have been endeavoring to obtain the object, have obtained, through the legislature and Municipal council ascendancy over employers, and also over those who have to bear the burden (in the shape of rates and taxes) of concessions to the labor party. To my mind there is a dividing line between what may be termed the present labor and capital, and that neither can, although he may have obtained authority from the legislature, or municipal council, to do, overstep that line without injustice to the other. And I have also thought that an early closing by-law cannot without injustice be imposed on a dissentient. I maintain that such a by-law is an infringement of the liberty of the subject, and is in the nature of a tax, and it has been money and the law, but is very seriously detrimental to the young people whose only capital may be health, knowledge of their business, and their business hours, and who desire to utilize such capital to the best advantage. If we have a by-law that is in the interest of the state requires a curtailment of the hours of employment of women and children, and that object might be obtained by regulating the employment, with-

out closing the business premises.

It occurs to me the labor party may be considered as consisting of three classes, namely:

(A) Those who may claim the right they undoubtedly have of making their own terms and of exercising their own moral influence to obtain such concessions as they desire. (B) The law-abiding. (C) The socialists.

If the classes consisted of (A) (whom I consider inestimable members of society) and, that by, or in co-operation with, them we may hope to improve practices by the great trading companies and other capitalists may be restrained by legal proceedings, and (C) of whom, perhaps the least said is the soonest mended, the labor question would not need much consideration; but (B) the law-abiding class, has to be dealt with. And they have through concerted action for some time past attained a position which no one but a very strong and independent man would dare ignore, and an aware of the difficulties that have to be contended against.

Some of which are respect tenacity of office by members of the government. The fear of the majority of our politicians who are members of our one-house House of Legislature or who desire to become such, either to do or say anything that might prejudice their position with the labor party, and the disinclination of those who whilst admitting the truth and justice of Mr. Musgrave's statements say "it is too late to take action in the matter—the money has been taken some 20 years ago." I should believe such a movement at the present time to be the case, if we rely solely on the present, and if that were so, advice to all who own real property in the province which they do not require for personal occupation or have invested in a building, to be extracted from them by the tax collector. In saying this I refer particularly to the City of Toronto where in respect to a leasehold interest of 1,200 acres I have held for the last 20 years, at a rent of \$150.20 per annum the taxes have been raised from \$22 to \$100. Although I have since 1880, when I ceased to require the land for pasture purposes been unable to let it for more than \$100 per annum, including taxes, and during the current year I have been unable to let it for more than the month of March, I am not of the month of March to 25th of December at the rate of \$100 per annum.

R. E. JACKSON.

## PRESS COMMENT.

Pro-C. B. R. newspapers are clamoring for a royal commission to investigate all the circumstances attending the grant of coal oil lands to the C. B. R. A committee of the British Columbia legislature seems to be doing the work fairly well, and the demand for a royal commission, and for sympathizers with it, is more anxious to conceal than to reveal the truth. British Columbia will be well advised to leave the judges to their lawsuits and look to the politicians for the political work of enquiring into charges of political wrongdoing. It is not certain that a committee of politicians will bring out the truth. Nor is it certain that a commission of judges can do anything but conduct an enquiry according to the traditions of a narrow legalism. Toronto Telegram.

The absurdity of the edging system devised by the last congress for the Philippines is shown by the statement of the Washington Post that "the treasury is worried lest the advancing price of silver will carry the 100,000 pesos now in transit to a premium by the time the vessel reaches Manila, and thus destroy their usefulness as circulating medium." Seattle P-I.

When you take into account all the varied forms of heating and the number of people engaged in building to adults and bodies diseased, isn't it a wonder that anybody can get sick enough to die? Or is it no wonder he is so? Nobody is sick—Milwaukee State Journal.

Looking back over the long record of public protest against labor-saving machinery we find that what at first looked like a calamity to some eventually proved to be a blessing in disguise. Facilitating production has made work easier, wages higher and in the long run has helped to make more opportunities for labor. Sioux City Journal.

An Ottawa minister, who, presumably, has excellent opportunities of studying the needs and deficiencies of members of Parliament, protested on Sunday last against their neglect of the opening prayer. He assured his congregation that on one occasion there were only thirteen members present, and the Speaker had to wait for an hour. Mr. J. B. Robinson, a worthy member of the House, says that this is very unusual, that he has only missed a session once since his election, and that the members generally attend faithfully. Montreal Star.

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## MEN AND THINGS.

During March there were 901 commercial failures in the United States, against 800 same month last year.

The population of Ireland, which fifty years ago was over 8,000,000, is now less than 4,500,000.

All code books carried in warships have been packed to make them sink should the vessel be wrecked.

The supply of furs in Asia is estimated this year at only 40,000 camel loads, against 65,000 camel loads for the previous year.

The city of Jerusalem is to form one of the features at the world's fair. The proposition is to reproduce Jerusalem as it is.

Of the cotton exported from the United States last season, England got 1,521,220 bales, France 412,052 bales, and other countries 1,524,107 bales.

Ten years ago 80 railroads issued weekly reports of earnings. Now but 25 publish such figures, 25 roads having disappeared by consolidation.

The normal man, who strikes an average between indifferent silence and meaningful verbosity, will talk probably one hour, all told, each day, which would allow him 2,400 words.

St. Paul lumber manufacturers have recently valued \$1,000 in yellow pine lands in Louisiana. The prices for yellow pine lands have wonderfully advanced because of the demand.

The Duke of Wellington has been dead for half a century, and his monument in St. Paul's cathedral, London, has not been completed yet. It has been the subject of animated discussion at brief intervals ever since his death.

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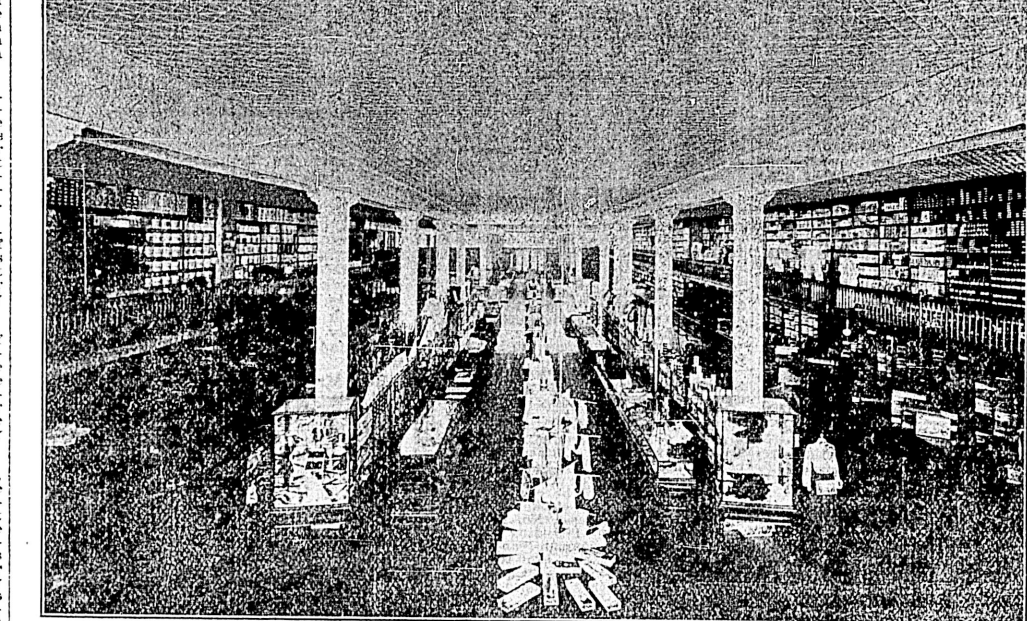
We were busy from early morning yesterday with the hundreds of people who took advantage of this special occasion. The interest will be just as great today. Some of the offerings, particularly in Men's Goods, are even better than yesterday.

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## Local News

**Yreka Attorney.**—Hugh Mackenzie, of Yreka, California, has been appointed attorney for the Yreka Copper Company, in place of N. S. Clarke.

**Court of Revision.**—A court of revision is to be appointed by Mayor McCandless at Monday evening's meeting of the council, a sitting to be held on the 19th inst.

**Mission Hall Concert.**—The Royal Templars are in charge of the program for the concert at the Mission Hall, Johnson street this evening, when a good time is expected.

**Y. M. C. A.**—The Rev. E. E. Scott, of Vancouver, will give an address to men in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Broad street, on Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m. Messrs. Hicks Brothers, whose voices have been so much appreciated at the Methodist convention this week, have kindly offered to sing.

**Last Evening's Ball.**—The ball last evening at the Assembly rooms given by Mrs. Dickenson and Mrs. Simpson was a most delightful function, the dance being highly enjoyed by the many couples who attended the music and floor exercises. The program was well presented, the dancing being executed by the children were gracefully executed, reflecting much credit upon the careful manner in which they had been trained for the dance. The adult dancers occupied the floor to a late hour after the termination of the children's dances, the ball being a most successful success for every standpoint.

**Self-Denial Week.**—On Monday next the self-denial week of the Salvation Army, which has been in progress since the 10th inst., will terminate. The Army's denials of operations are maintained purely by the free-will offerings of the people. The needs of its vast missionary labors among the heathen abroad and the down-fallen at home are chiefly met through the agency of self-denial. The Army is doing splendid work in its industrial homes, rescue and maternity homes, men's and women's shelters, established in different centres in this country, while the world over the Army has about 500 similar refuges for the fallen and destitute.

**Anglers to Meet.**—Herbert Cuthbert has called a meeting for Monday evening next at the Tourist Association rooms of all anglers in the better preservation of the fish of the lakes and fresh water streams of this island, and who would like steps taken for the more strict enforcement of the law. In the interests of the Tourist Association Mr. Cuthbert is anxious to obtain the views of all local anglers and others concerned on this subject. It is a well known fact that illegal fishing is secretly done all the year round in the finest waters of the island, and that the close season is not observed as it should be. The result is that when the open season comes many of the streams are pretty well fished out.

**Pioneer's Suggestion.**—To convey President Roosevelt about the Sound in an Indian war canoe, as the Indian chiefs did more than 100 years ago when Admiral Vancouver anchored his ship off Blakely rock, is the plan suggested by the old pioneers as a way out of the distressing difficulties between Seattle and Tacoma, which seem to attend the arrangements for the President's trip from Commencement to Elliott Bay. These who remember the voyage of the British admiral, threading the broad inlets and crossing the picturesque highways of Puget Sound, in mighty war canoes, surrounded by the painted braves, and those who know of the momentous event only through tradition, are likewise enthusiastic over the idea presented the reception committee.

**Misapprehension Corrected.**—H. B. Ferguson, secretary of the Bullion Branch of the Provincial Mining Association, yesterday forwarded a telegram to Secretary Belyea, saying that "Miners and business men are in an uproar over the report that Keen and Higgins agreed with mining committee to sue on May 5th." On Mr. Belyea examining the Colonist article which is referred to, he could not find any statement that Messrs. Keen and Higgins "agreed" to the postponement. He is of the opinion that the misapprehension of the facts is due entirely to a misreading of the article in question. Mr. Belyea thinks it well to explain again, however, for the benefit of the members of the Bullion branch that Messrs. Keen and Higgins did not agree to the postponement.

**Duly Incorporated.**—The Chamber of Commerce has duly incorporated the body. The articles, which appear in the provincial Gazette, set forth that: "The said corporation shall be known as 'The Victoria Chamber of Commerce' and its office shall be in the city of Victoria." The managing officers of the said corporation shall consist of a president, vice-president, secretary and honorary treasurer. George Carter shall be the first president. Joshua Kingham shall be the first vice-president; James Forman shall be the first honorary treasurer. The successors of the said officers shall be elected by a majority vote to be taken by ballot of the members present at a meeting or meetings thereof at the times and in the manner to be prescribed by the by-laws of the corporation. All persons engaged in trade or manufacture, or in any business whatever, shall be eligible for membership. The mode and requirements of admission to membership, and all other matters relating to the admission to and retirement from the corporation, shall be determined and provided for by the by-laws and regulations of the corporation."

**Prayer Meeting.**—The Keswick Circle will hold a prayer meeting at the Christian Mission, 113 Government street, at 8 p. m. this evening.

**Meet This Afternoon.**—A meeting of the Builders' Association will be held at the Brunswick hotel at 4 o'clock sharp this afternoon, room 22.

**Shareholders' Meeting.**—A meeting of the shareholders of the Nest Egg and Fire Fly Mining Company was held yesterday afternoon at the office of the British Columbia Land & Investment Company.

**Thanked the Mayor.**—Sir Alexander Mackenzie has forwarded a letter to His Worship Mayor McCandless, expressing thanks for the honor and welcome extended to him and the many courtesies enjoyed during his stay here.

**Addition to Gallery.**—An important contribution to the Board of Trade picture gallery has just been placed in position—a remarkably fine portrait of A. C. Flumerfelt, a former president. The picture was enlarged from a photograph by a Montreal artist and is a very fine piece of work.

**Fined Fifty Dollars.**—Frederick McLennan, of Cadboro Bay road, was fined \$50 in the Provincial Police Court yesterday for assaulting Frank J. Bishop. Bishop drove some cows belonging to McLennan from a pasture belonging to Mr. Beaumont, and McLennan struck him with a club.

**Driving Club.**—A meeting of the members of the Victoria Driving Club will be held at the Tourist Association rooms at 8 o'clock this evening for the purpose of arranging a programme for a proposed matinee meeting on Saturday, June 6. All members and others interested are earnestly requested to be in attendance.

**Board of Health Meeting.**—The Board of Health held its weekly meeting on Thursday evening, reports from the city health and sanitary officers being presented. The report of the joint committee re the proposed administration of the Isolation hospital was not ready for presentation, but will be brought forward for consideration next week.

**Many Applications.**—A large number of applications for the position of secretary of the British Columbia Agricultural Association have already been received, and indications are that there will be a keen fight for the coveted plum. The appointment will be made at a meeting of the executive committee of the association on Tuesday evening next.

**Municipal Clauses Act.**—The bill relating to the amendments to the Municipal Clauses Act, proposed by the corporation of the city of Victoria, has been presented in charge of H. D. Helmer, Esq., K. C., M. P., for presentation to the legislature. At the time the proposals were framed by the legislative committee of the council, the Colonist published full information about the important clauses.

**The Labor Commission.**—The Victoria sessions of the labor commission were last evening adjourned to Monday, the 18th inst. The secretary, Mr. Mackenzie King, wishes it to be made public that the commissioners have decided to hold another sitting at a later date than that which was announced, as soon as known, so that a further opportunity will be afforded any persons who may have evidence, or statements to put before the commission, to do so.

**Alternating Joints.**—This morning His Worship Mayor McCandless, City Engineer Topp, and a majority of the aldermen will be the guests of the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Company on a trip for the purpose of inspecting the work of the city engineer in connection with the proposed alterations to the system in order to ascertain that the service now being provided is in accordance with the terms of the company's contract with the city. The civic party will be entertained at Cloverdale by residents of the Fraser Valley.

**Strike Settled.**—K. J. Burns, local agent of the Great Northern, was advised from St. Paul yesterday that the threatened strike of the trainmen of the Great Northern railroad has been averted and an agreement satisfactory to both sides signed this afternoon. The trainmen are granted an increase of wages averaging 15 per cent. The yardmen get 3 cents an hour more, and new men are given an increase after one year's service. The men have modified their demands regarding doubleheaders to a degree satisfactory to the company.

**At Hymen's Altar.**—William Russell Mackenzie, chartered accountant of Portland, Oregon, formerly traveling auditor of the Northern Pacific Railway, was married on Tuesday afternoon at Christ Church cathedral to Mrs. Jean French MacKenzie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Duff, of St. Paul, Minn. The ceremony being performed by Canon Beaudry. The newly wedded couple afterwards adjourned to the residence of D. E. Campbell, on Linden avenue, where they were entertained by a reception party. Mr. Campbell being an old-time friend of the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Mackenzie have gone on a honeymoon trip to California.

**Joke on Capt. Duff.**—"Leave of absence cancelled. Return to Hongkong at once." This was the unwelcome telegram received yesterday morning at Vancouver by Capt. J. P. Duff, M. P., one of the party of army officers who came over on the Empress of India. The message purported to have come over the Pacific cable, and to have been forwarded from Victoria. By the liberal use of the wires and the assistance of several friends in Vancouver, Capt. Duff soon discovered that the message was a practical joke which had been perpetrated by his fellow officers. The message had been sent from Victoria when the Empress touched here on Tuesday last. Capt. Duff continued his journey to England.

**Patent Report.**—The following is a list of patents recently granted by the Canadian government through the agency of Messrs. Marion & Marion, patent attorneys, Montreal, Canada: 70,940, J. S. A. Information regarding any of these patents will be supplied free of charge by applying to the above-named firm; No. 70,942, J. A. G. Gagnon, Baie St. Paul, P. Q., carriage; No. 70,951, Telephone Latourville, Montreal, P. Q., water heater; No. 70,955, J. G. Gagnon, Baie St. Paul, P. Q., shoe brush; No. 70,967, Finlay MacArthur, Montreal, P. Q., animal trough; No. 70,969, Simon Belanger, St. Jean Baptiste, Man., grain drill; No. 70,970, Henry G. Gagnon, Baie St. Paul, P. Q., draft appliance for stoves; No. 80,146, Baron Joseph d'Halewyn, Nominique, P. Q., rotary engine.

**"Alice in Wonderland."**—The Live Flowers are asked to go to the Victoria theatre this afternoon at 4 o'clock. There will be a full rehearsal of all principals, with the Live Flowers and Alice in Wonderland, at the Victoria theatre at 7.30. The children's dances will not be required. From now on all work in connection with "Alice in Wonderland" will be conducted at Assembly Hall, Fort street, where the sub-committee remind the Daughters of Pity and their friends that there is yet much to be done, and all assistance will be gratefully accepted. The rooms will be open from 11 a. m. to 11 p. m. Tickets (both individual and dances) will be carried on daily, and all principals wishing further practice are asked to notify Mr. Cockrell, or the committee at the rooms, who have not yet fetched their costumes for make up are asked to be present as early on Monday as possible.

**Lecture Tonight.**—At the open meeting of the Methodist conference this evening in the Metropolitan Methodist church, Rev. Dr. Whittington will deliver an interesting lecture on a popular topic.

**"Modes of Fishing."**—A regular meeting of the Natural History Society will be held on Monday evening in the music room, Parliament building, the subject for the evening being "Modes of Fishing," by Ashdown Green. It is also intended to discuss the question of incorporation.

**Westminster Too.**—Harry Seamon, who claimed to be representing Forepaugh & Sells' circus, was in New Westminster on Saturday evening, and made contracts with several supper houses for goods for the big show. He also tried to work the game of getting a commission from the firms, but as far as is known, he was unsuccessful.

**"Borderland."**—The performance given in the A. O. U. W. Hall last night by the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic Club, was very well attended. The play entitled "Borderland," went off without a hitch, and the performers, one and all, deserve great praise. After the conclusion of the piece, a dance was given, which was kept up until the small hours of the morning.

**Emigrants From Antipodes.**—The fame of the Canadian Northwest has reached Australia and New Zealand, and results are now forthcoming. There arrived by the steamship Aorangi from Australia some 35 people who are en route to the Northwest for the purpose of seeking homes. In the majority of instances the families of the intending settlers were either in Australia or New Zealand, and in several cases the men brought their wives and children.

**Boom in Fruit.**—Mr. Thomas Cunningham, the farmer who has sold to British Columbia farmers this year 60,000 fruit trees, Mr. Cunningham estimates that 100,000 trees have been imported from outside, and fully 60,000 more have been sold by other nurseries in the province. This means that the new fruit trees sold this season is more than double the number of any other year in all of 1902-1903. It means that the fruit of the future will be becoming a more important factor in the trade of the province, and from the Mainland, large quantities of fruit will be exported to Manitoba and other provinces in exchange for wheat and dairy produce.

### IN COURT CIRCLES.

Sessions of the County Court held yesterday—in Chambers.

**Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem** presided at the County Court sitting yesterday. Suggitt vs. Jennings Bros. was concluded. This was an action to recover \$150 balance due on a contract for the supply of cordwood. The defendant put in a counter claim for damages for tardy delivery and shortage of one car of wood. Judgment was given in favor of plaintiff for amount claimed, less \$24.75. J. P. Walls for plaintiff, J. J. Taylor for defendant.

**White vs. McEwan** was an action by Mrs. McEwan for the balance of a loan to recover possession of a farm under the Overriding Tenants Act. Judgment was given for plaintiff, the parties to pay their own costs and defendant under-estimated to deliver to the plaintiff at the end of this month. Harold R. Robertson for plaintiff, and A. E. Welby Solomon for defendant.

**Yesterday's report of Giscome vs. Boyle** (Col.), claimant was in error. Judgment having been rendered for the claimant Cole, without costs, the plaintiff Giscome being adjudged to pay sheriff costs and costs of interpreter.

**In Chambers** Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem disposed of the following applications yesterday. Cariboo Consolidated Company vs. Pakenham. Order made for particulars to be given on or before the 15th June, costs of application to defendant. R. H. Pooley for plaintiff, W. E. Murethy for defendant. Re-estate of Achille Bossi, deceased. L. J. Mills obtained an order granting letters of administration.

### CARPENTERS' STRIKE.

May Be Settled When Builders Meet Tonight.

The weekly meeting of the Builders' Association will be held tonight when it is likely that a settlement of the present strike will be made. The builders offered 40 cents an hour, working to 1 p. m. Saturday, making \$18 a week. This was considered at a meeting of carpenters and the following reply made: "To Secretary of Builders' Association: Your decision of this morning was laid before meeting this afternoon, and after due consideration and discussion it was declared the following should be satisfactory for your acceptance: That wages be 41 cents per hour, and to work eight hours a day for five days and four hours for Saturday, making a total of 44 hours per week. The same will be paid on a standard rate. Time on Saturday afternoon to be paid at rate of 50 cents per hour. This to be in operation from 1st of April to 30th of September inclusive.

I remain, yours respectfully,  
JOHN HAMMOND.

The society of the Builders' Association replied that the matter would be considered tonight. He said that if the carpenters modified the demands to which they were agreed to work with the same rate for Saturday afternoons, the builders would consider it.

### THE COAL TRADE.

British Columbia Strikes Give Business to Other Mines.

Notwithstanding the increase made on the coal trade by the increase in the consumption of oil as fuel, the demand for black diamonds at the present time is keen, as the result of the strike in British Columbia mines, whence much of the local supply ordinarily comes, and the inability of the Seattle mines to furnish an adequate amount, says the San Francisco Chronicle. For the last ten days the steamer Edith has been detained at Seattle awaiting a cargo for this city. The congested conditions in the North have thrown the brunt of the whole coal business on the Seattle mines, and great difficulty is being experienced in supplying the Puget Sound consumers, outsiders being compelled to wait.

The big fleet of coal carriers, from Australia is still a long way off, with only one or two vessels expected soon. The Newcastle mines will therefore have little opportunity to remedy conditions here. Even Japanese coal mines are being called upon, which is something out of the ordinary. Later in the morning a cargo of coal arrived from Japan, and the British steamer Ivrydene, of 2,277 tons register, and the British steamer Inverness, of 2,536 tons register, are listed as carrying cargoes of coal from Japan and Malaya, respectively. A cessation of the strike in British Columbia may at any time, however, cause a resumption of trade with the mines there.

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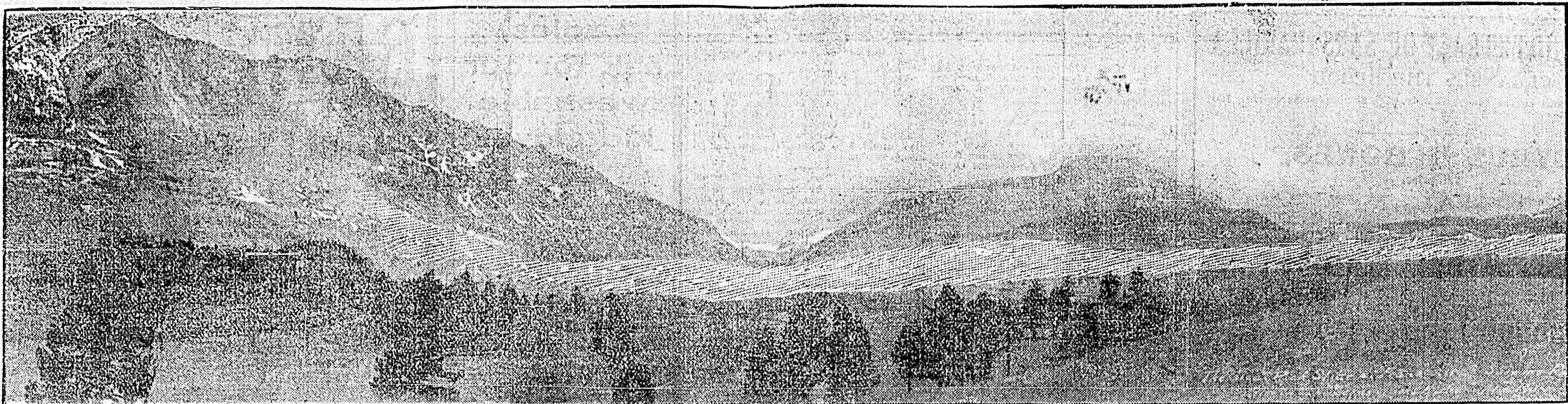
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## Board of Trade Favors a Bonus

Passes Resolution Urging Government to Help Lead Mining Industry.

Interesting Address by President Keen, of the Mining Association.

At a meeting of the Board of Trade held yesterday evening, John Keen, president of the Provincial Mining Association, delivered a very instructive address illustrative of the present condition of the lead mining industry in the province and the need of it receiving some federal assistance to enable it to be pursued with profit. The board heartily endorsed the attitude of the Mining Association and passed a resolution urging the government to adopt the bonus scheme suggested.

President L. G. McQuade occupied the chair, and there were present also Messrs. Lugin, Leiser, Pitts, Shaw, A. Henderson, Scott, Reibick, H. Smith, W. T. Andrews, Monteith, Mara, McKeown, H. A. Mann, Shallockross and Beckwith.

Mr. Shallockross reported that a deputation had been called on the Premier regarding the Albert wagon road, and that he promised to give the matter full consideration.

The Trades and Labor Council invited the board to be present at a meeting on the 19th instant to discuss the question of establishing a technical school. The invitation was accepted.

The lead mining question was next taken up, the secretary reading correspondence bearing on the subject. John Keen, president of the Provincial Mining Association, explained the status of the question at the present time. The general idea was that everything should be done to aid Canada in manufacturing her raw products, the resolutions passed at Sandon being the result of full discussion. The lead ores were shipped out of the country at London prices, but \$1 per hundred was deducted for shipment. The Idaho men got better prices for their raw products, the resolutions passed at Sandon being the result of full discussion. The lead ores were shipped out of the country at London prices, but \$1 per hundred was deducted for shipment.

The Provincial Mining Association represented all the interests of the country, and had to look at the question through different glasses than the silver-lead owners, and for that reason favored assisting the miner, the smelter and the refinery. Mr. Retallack asked for a straight bonus of \$15 per ton, and it was thrown on the minister to choose the best method of meeting the situation.

He did not know if the government would give any relief, but if it did not, it was not hard to predict what would be the result of the industry. If it was not taken care of, it would close down, and not re-open for many years. He quoted figures to show the extent to which the country was suffering.

Mr. Lugin expressed curiosity to learn the reasons for the government's refusal to meet the wishes of the silver-lead men; he did not feel competent to discuss the question until such information was before him.

President McQuade called attention to the fact that Mr. Campbell's figures for retail lead were too high.

Mr. W. T. Andrews was against the suggested duties, and he questioned Mr.

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Keen as to the number of persons dependent upon the industry. He did not think it fair to ask thirty per cent. of the people of Canada to pay two and five-eighths per cent. increase in order to benefit a few people in British Columbia. He thought it was decidedly unfair to the general consumer in Canada to ask the government to increase the price of lead to them. As there were no export manufacturers of lead in Canada, it showed that the industry was in its infancy; and for that reason he favored bonusing the industry. The bonus system would be more equitable, as, instead of two million people paying the tax, the aid would be distributed over the whole population of Canada.

Mr. Shallockross thought it was time that the West spoke with no uncertain voice—the East had too long dictated the commercial policy of Canada.

Mr. Beckwith did not think a tariff could be framed for any individual section, but for the whole country. He thought it was a case where British Columbia should get its innings.

Mr. Lugin said it was desirable, in view of the fact that the government was opposed to increased duties, the bonus proposition should be endorsed by a strong resolution.

The president thought the safest way was to accept the resolution of the Mining Association as indicating the feeling of those most directly interested in the matter and endorse it.

A resolution was then passed heartily endorsing the request of the Mining Association for a bonus.

**ASSAYING OF GOLD.**  
The following report of a special committee on the assaying of gold at Victoria was then read, the resolution suggested carrying unanimously:

Until the last few years it was the practice to send all gold dust to San Francisco, either by the Victoria and Nanaimo route or to the Selby Lead & Refinery Co.

Under these conditions the miner bringing out gold dust, could either sell his gold dust here at the best price obtainable, which was, of course, below what was expected to be its net value, or he could hand it to one of the banks, and the bank would forward to San Francisco and disburse proceeds when received.

The miner had, therefore, to accept less than its mint value for his dust, or remain in Victoria until proceeds were received from San Francisco.

At the time when gold dust first began to come out of the Klondike in large quantities, Seattle made strong representations on the subject to the federal government, and endeavored to have a mint established at Seattle.

The federal government were not willing to establish a mint at Seattle, in addition to the one at San Francisco, but they met the views of the Seattle men by agreeing to establish an assay office at which gold would be received on the same terms as at San Francisco.

This arrangement involved the re-issuing of the gold, when it reached a United States mint, the cost of sending it to such mint, and loss of interest. These expenses the federal government agreed to cover by a special appropriation which was made by congress.

Miners found it was a great convenience to be able to get mint value for their gold at Seattle without loss of time, and many of them made a practice of going to Seattle, who would otherwise have come to Victoria.

After the lapse of some time, the Ottawa government were asked to establish a mint in Canada, and agreed to do so, but this mint is not yet in operation, and through the efforts of Mr. Maxwell it was promised that an assay office should be forthwith established in Vancouver.

Meanwhile, however, the business men of Victoria, finding that Canadian trade was losing greatly through the lack of facilities for disposing of gold dust in Canada, called a meeting to consider the question. Representations were made to the provincial government, who agreed to make a nominal charge for assaying, and to guarantee the correctness of their assays, to the banks who agreed to reduce their charges for honoring the assay certificates of the government, and to the express company, who made a special rate to Seattle.

A guarantee fund was created by the citizens of Victoria to cover all expenses up to the time that the gold reached the Seattle assay office, so that it became possible to charge the miner no more than he would have to pay if he took his dust to Seattle, and to give him his proceeds within twenty-four hours.

The assay charges at Seattle amount to 7 cents per ounce on the gross weight of the gold, after melting, together with \$1.00 for each melting.

This is the amount which is charged by the provincial government on the assay certificate and paid by the miner.

The provincial government, to cover their own separate expenses, make a charge of \$1.00 for each melting.

The assay certificates are cashed at eight by the Canadian Bank of Commerce for a charge of one-tenth of one per cent to cover interest until proceeds of the gold bars are received by the government from Seattle.

The express charge is 75 per cent. per thousand, plus a cent for each \$2.50 each shipment.

free assays are given at Vancouver to miners from the Yukon Territory. No free assays are given at Victoria.

Dr. Hamel states the regular assay charges at Vancouver are one-eighth of one per cent. on gross value, \$1.00 for each melt and 12 cents per \$100 value.

These assay charges are less than the Victoria assay charges. For example: Take a parcel of gold dust, value \$200, and weighing 10½ ounces.

The Victoria charges would be 7c. per ounce, or \$1.16 plus \$1.00 for melting, or \$2.16.

The Vancouver charges would be 1/8 of 1 per cent, or 2½c. plus 12 cents per \$100, or 2½c. plus \$1.00 for melting, in all, \$1.20½.

The minimum Victoria charge is \$1.50. The charges at Seattle would be about the same as those at Victoria, varying slightly with the "fineness" of the gold. The Dominion absorbs out of the public revenue the cost of sending the bars from Vancouver to a mint, with loss of interest, etc., as also any loss there may be in carrying on the assay office at Vancouver.

The total cost to the Dominion government will be found to be many times in excess of the cost of carrying on the same work at Victoria.

Your committee feel that Victoria should be placed in a position to offer the same advantages to miners and others that are to be obtained at the Vancouver assay office, and your committee consider that the citizens of Victoria are entitled to expect the assistance and support of the Dominion government in this matter.

Although the value of gold dust brought to Victoria has not shown an increase this year, the number of assays is steadily increasing, and it is evident that it would be a great loss to the commercial community if the present arrangements could not be continued—the loss would not be to Victoria alone, but to Canada, as much of the gold would be sent to Seattle, leading to the diversion of trade.

Your committee beg to submit the following resolution, which they hope the members of the Board of Trade will support:

"That the Victoria, B.C., Board of Trade consider that it of the utmost importance that miners and others should be able to sell their gold dust at Victoria on the same terms as are obtainable at Seattle and Vancouver, and that this board would strongly urge the renewal of the appropriation of \$1,000 made last year to enable the citizens' guarantee committee to continue the arrangement for the purchasing of gold at Victoria."

Dated at Victoria this 15th day of May, 1903.

S. J. PITTS, Chairman,  
F. H. PAULINE,  
J. J. SHALLOCKROSS,  
Committee.

Ottawa, 31st March, 1903.  
(Memorandum.)  
Hon. Mr. William Mulock, K.C.M.G., M.P., etc.

Re Appropriation to Gold Guarantee Fund Committee, Victoria, B.C.

By order-in-council dated the 26th of June, 1902, by which previous orders-in-council, relating to assay charges to be made, were cancelled, only miners of the Yukon Territory, who in person present their gold at the assay office, accompanied by a certificate from the comptroller of the Yukon Territory, at Dawson, that the royalty at the rate proscribed by the regulations has been paid, are entitled to free assays.

Charges of 1/8 of 1 per cent on gross value of deposit, \$1.00 for each melt, and 12 cents per \$100, to cover the marketing of the gold, are exacted in case of all other deposits.

The expenditure of the gold guarantee fund, committee, Victoria, B.C., are applied as follows:

1st—To pay the provincial government for melting and assaying the gold in the first instance.

2nd—To repay the provincial government express and other charges in shipping the gold to a mint.

3rd—To pay the bank, at which the government cheques are cashed, 1-10 of 1 per cent, the sum representing interest between the time a cheque is paid by the bank and receipt of a draft from the

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mint, to which the provincial government ships the gold.

It is evident that if a grant be made to the gold guarantee fund committee to cover these expenses in case of every gold certificate cashed by the provincial government of British Columbia, depositors having their gold assayed in Victoria will have greatly the advantage over those depositing in the Dominion of Canada assay office, Vancouver, B.C.; the effect of which will be to close the Dominion of Canada assay office in Vancouver, B. C., and hand the business over to the provincial government of British Columbia.

I may state that very few deposits are made by Yukon miners, the majority of deposits are from British Columbia.

(Sd.) EUGENE HAMEL,  
Superintendent of Mines.

**PERSONALS.**

Arrivals at the Royal Cafe: E. E. Smith and wife; W. F. Loveland and wife; Pele Stork.

Left: Pederson, Ladysmith, and Mrs. Ely, are at the Hotel Victoria.

Adam Thompson, Nanaimo; Col. and Mrs. R. L. A. Remington, Duncan; C. W. Johnson, Chilliwack, are at the New England.

George Thompson, Toronto; C. F. Goldard, San Francisco; A. A. Seligman, New York; Henry N. Hinchart, New York; J. B. Schneider, San Francisco; Mrs. A. MacDonnell, Chisholm, Dawson City; Chas. Cameron and wife and daughter, Collingwood, Ont.; E. J. Brauwelk, Portland, are at the Bristol.

Mrs. Dunn, Crofton, and Miss Fisher, Metuchen, are at the Richmond.

Mr. Boyd and Mrs. J. C. Jameson, Dawson; George C. Macpherson, Louisville, Ky.; Dr. F. A. Blackmore, Vancouver; Dr. Emmons, Vancouver; G. W. McAllister, London, Ont., are at the Vernon.

Among the arrivals from the Sound yesterday was an estate well known British Columbia tourist, Ben Young, of British America railway fame. Mr. Young visited the city for the purpose of collecting \$4,000 endowment money which, after last month and on the proceeds of which he now proposes to do the grand tour of Europe.

A. A. Grant returned yesterday from a visit to Tacoma.

F. A. Fitcher was a passenger from the Sound yesterday to join Capt. Gatter, who is ill in St. Joseph's hospital. W. Moody has returned from Philadelphia where he recently passed his final examination at the dental college.

Among those registered at the Bristol yesterday were: J. Abbott and P. W. Graham, of San Francisco; W. R. Edwards and H. Rock of Santa Barbara; H. Snell, of Vancouver; J. Milne and T. W. Tisdale, of Toronto; E. Tiffin and Miss Tiffin of New Brunswick; Mrs. Mordock of St. John; and S. M. Dobbs, of Ireland.

T. B. Bowley, of the Royal Field Artillery, who recently resigned his commission, arrived home from England on Thursday.

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**VICTORIA TIDES.**

For the Month of May, 1903.  
(Issued by the regular survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

The time used is Pacific standard for the 120th Meridian West. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

Day.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.
1	11.45	1.2	12.00	1.2	12.05	1.1	12.10	1.0
2	11.42	0.9	12.00	0.9	12.05	0.8	12.10	0.7
3	11.38	0.6	12.00	0.6	12.05	0.5	12.10	0.4
4	11.34	0.3	12.00	0.3	12.05	0.2	12.10	0.1
5	11.30	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
6	11.26	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
7	11.22	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
8	11.18	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
9	11.14	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
10	11.10	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
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14	10.54	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
15	10.50	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
16	10.46	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
17	10.42	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
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25	10.10	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
26	10.06	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
27	10.02	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
28	9.58	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
29	9.54	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
30	9.50	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0
31	9.46	0.0	12.00	0.0	12.05	0.0	12.10	0.0

Note: All results obtained by the use of these differences are in Pacific Standard time for the 120th Meridian West.

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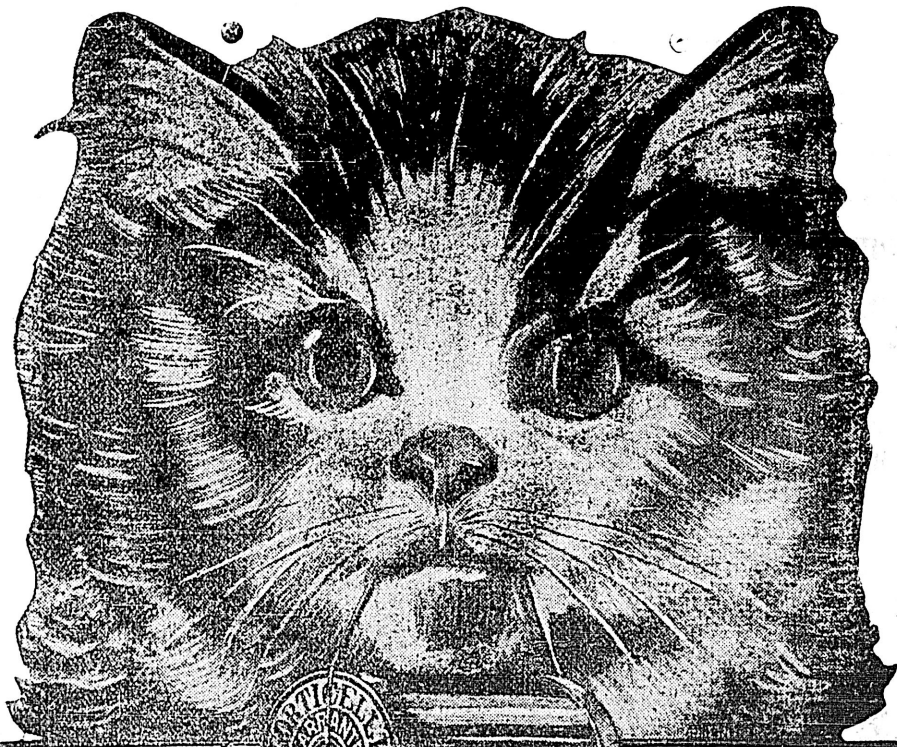
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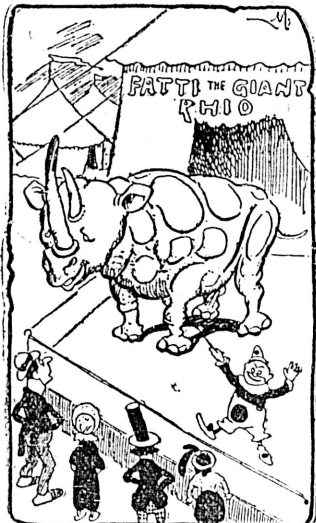




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BY W. M. GOODES.

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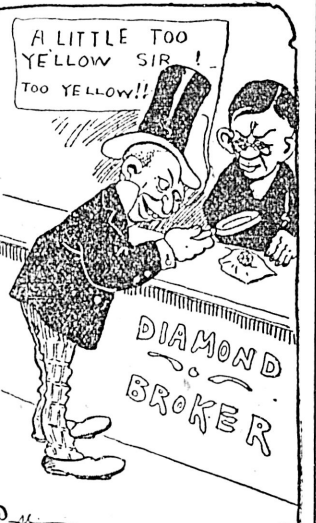
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The Iris is now on a three years' commission, and during that time will be stationed between Brisbane and Victoria. The headquarters of the cable repairing steamers will be Fiji, but an attempt is being made to induce the authorities to select Auckland as centre. She is fitted with all the necessary gear, and carries about 400 miles of deep-sea cable. After leaving Sydney the Iris will first steam to Brisbane, where electrical stores will be landed. From there she will proceed to Norfolk Island, landing stores, etc., and will next visit Auckland, where she will be docked for an overhaul. Fiji will be the next place to call, and while there a short length of cable will be laid to connect the two principal islands. Fanning Island will then be called at, and stores landed, after which the Iris proceeds direct to Bamfield creek. While at the last named port she will lay a cable, in lieu of the present land line, which is constantly being interrupted. After this work has been completed, the Iris will return to Fiji, the headquarters of the vessel.

The Iris was launched early last year, and was taken for her official speed trials in October last. She was built for the Pacific Cable Board of London by Messrs. David J. Dunslop & Co., Port Glasgow, and her principal dimensions are: Length on water line, 285 ft.; breadth moulded, 40 ft.; and depth moulded to spar deck, 25 ft. The vessel has been fitted with four cable tanks—two forward and two aft of the machinery space. The cable machinery consists of very heavy gear forward and a lighter gear aft, suitable for paying-out and paying-in purposes, supplied by the Telegraph Construction and Maintenance Company, Limited, of Greenwich. The propelling machinery, which consists of two sets of triple-expansion engines, was designed with a view to secure the least possible vibration. Stored in the forehold are large quantities of appliances, such as grapnels, nutrooms, etc. Four immense buoys, each weighing 35,000 lb., are carried on the spar deck, and are supplied with patent platforms for launching them. The accommodation throughout is excellent, and great attention has been given to the subject of ventilation, the ship having been specially constructed for hot climates. The officers and electricians' quarters are on the spar deck, and the navigating officers' quarters are on the navigating deck. The accommodation for all the others is amidships, which is a new departure in cable ships. The quarters of the crew are situated forward, while the Chinese dinette are provided for forward. The vessel is spotlessly clean throughout.



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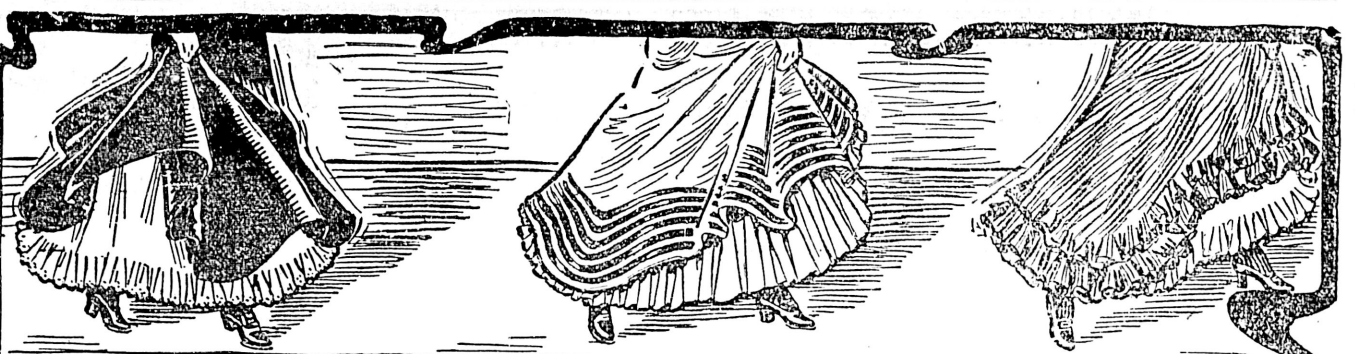
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Victoria .....	9:00	12:00	Victoria .....	4:25	8:20
Shawigan Lake .....	10:20	10:40	Shawigan Lake .....	5:42	7:11
Duncans .....	11:00	10:02	Duncans .....	6:20	6:30
Ladysmith .....	11:37	9:10	Ladysmith .....	7:10	6:31
Nanaimo .....	12:40	8:20	Nanaimo .....	8:02	4:40
Ar. Wellington .....	12:43	Lv. 8:00	Ar. Wellington .....	8:17	Lv. 4:25

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